

Meeting of Shirley Council on Aging

September 9th, 2021

Present Janice Snow, David Stoppelman, Marie Elwyn, Christine Andersen, Senior Center Director Marilyn Largey

Absent Helen Kramer, Sue Hartman, Mary Wade

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The meeting was called to order by Marie Elwyn, Chair, at 11:13. The existence of a quorum was established.

Secretary's Report

Suggestions for amendments and corrections to the minutes of the August meeting were made, the motion to accept as amended was seconded, the minutes were approved.

Director's Report

Marilyn Largey presented her report. There are efforts to provide more rides, as well as plans to allow requests for ride through a new 800 telephone number for MART as an alternative to calling the Senior Center. Starting in October, Shirley will partner with Ayer in offering ride capacity.

There are plans for an additional Outreach/Social worker, to work 20 hrs per week at 20 \$ hr. It is planned to offer support to those residents under 60 years as well. A proposal to be put before the Town Meeting. Funding will come from the Shirley *Foundation* and from ARPA.

The Main Street Bank's Shirley branch closes in October and, in parting, the bank is donating four computers (hardware and software) to the Senior Center.

Finance Committee

The general description of the former committee could be a start for an intern helping to set up a 5-year budget plan. An assistant could have the remit of a Tax Work Off volunteer.

Planned Activities

Shirley Fest A table for the Senior Center is suggested; there are two volunteers. Date: September 19th.

Safety Day A table tent will be shared with the Friendship Fund. We are looking for giveaways. Date is September 25th in front of Town Offices, from 11.00 to 1.00 p. m.

Founder's' Reunion is planned for October 15th Marilyn Largey reported on the planned festivities, noting the speakers, the light refreshments, and an ice cream truck. There will be personal invitations for those on the original Founders list

Senior Breakfast: planned for Monday, October 18th

Flu Clinic planned for October 14th at the Center. Registration is to be paperless

Halloween Party: tentative plans are for 27th October, with a Pizza Truck.

The motion to adjourn the meeting was seconded, motion approved, the meeting was adjourned at 11.51.

The next Council meeting will be October 14th, 11:00, at the Senior Center on 9 Parker Road.

Respectfully submitted,

Christine Andersen,

Secretary